

UNDERGRADUATE

Nursing - Traditional

School of Nursing

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Nursing at SIUE

The School of Nursing prepares future nursing leaders who reflect the fundamental values of SIUE. The program prepares a generalist in professional nursing with a Bachelor of Science in nursing, and graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN) for licensure as a registered nurse. The state-approved program provides a foundation for graduate education.

Nursing is defined as the protection, promotion and optimization of health and abilities, prevention of illness and injury, alleviation of suffering through the diagnosis and treatment of human response, and advocacy in the care of individuals, families, communities and populations (ANA, 2003, Social Policy statement.)

Nursing courses build on a foundation in the liberal arts and sciences and are concentrated in the last six semesters of study. The undergraduate nursing curriculum is built on the following themes:

- Analytical reasoning
- Communication
- Role
- Human diversity
- Ethics

Clinical and laboratory experiences are an integral part of the nursing major. Healthcare agencies in central, southern and southwestern Illinois and in the greater St. Louis area cooperate with the School of Nursing to provide opportunities for our students to practice their clinical skills and apply theoretical knowledge.

Baccalaureate Degree Options at SIUE

- Traditional
- Post-Baccalaureate Accelerated
- Accelerated RN to BS Nursing
- Combined Baccalaureate to Graduate Degree

What can I do with a degree in nursing?

Nursing is a learned profession built on a core of knowledge reflective of its dual components of science and art. As lifelong learners, professional nurses practice in a variety of settings:

- Hospitals
- Public health departments
- Schools
- Outpatient clinics
- Home health agencies
- Mental health agencies

The professional nurse partners with other healthcare professionals in applying evidence-based knowledge combined with caring and compassion to provide quality care

Accelerated Undergraduate to Graduate Nursing Options

Students in the traditional bachelor's program may apply for accelerated graduate program options for Master of Science degrees in healthcare nursing administration or nurse educator, and the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree for the family nurse practitioner program. Learn more at siue.edu/combined-degrees.

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Sample Curriculum for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing, Traditional Option

	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Year 1	ENG 101 English Composition I	3	ENG 102 English Composition II	3
	ACS 101 Public Speaking	3	BIOL 250 Bacteriology (LS)	4
	CHEM 120A Gen, Org, & Biol Chem I (BPS)	3	BIOL 240A Anatomy & Physiology I (BLS, EL)	4
	CHEM 124A Gen, Org, & Biol Chem Lab (EL)	1	CHEM 120B Gen, Org, & Biol Chem II	3
	BIOL 140 Human Biology (BLS)	3	CHEM 124B Gen, Org, & Biol Chem II Lab (EL)	1
	PSYC 111 Foundations of Psychology (BSS)	3	Total Credits	15
	FST 101 Succeeding & Engaging at SIUE	1		
	Total Credits	17		
Year 2	NURS 231 Examination of Role of Profess Nurse	4	NURS 240 Pathophysiology (LS)	4
	NURS 234 Human Development-Life Span	3	NURS 246 Foundation & Assmnt in Nsg Practice	6
	BIOL 240B Anatomy & Physiology II (BLS, EL)	4	STAT 107 Concepts of Statistics or STAT 244 Statistics (BICS)	3
	RA 101 Reasoning & Argumentation (FRA) or PHIL 212	3	Breadth Fine & Performing Arts (BFPA)	3
	QR 101 Quantitative Reasoning or MATH 150 Calculus I (FQR)	3	Total Credits	16
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Year 3	NURS 341A Pharmacology for Nurses-Adult Medicine	2	NURS 341B Pharmacology for Nsg-Specialty Courses	2
	NURS 342 Adult Health I	5	NURS 354 Care of Women & Childbearing Families	5
	NURS 343 Adult Health II	5	NURS 355 Care of Children & Adolescents	5
	Interdisciplinary Course (IS)/Experience Global Cultures (EGC)	3	PHIL 225 Contemp Moral Issues, PHIL 320 Ethics, or	
	Total Credits	15	PHIL 321 Ethics in the Medical Community (BHUM)	3
			Total Credits	15
Year 4	NURS 472 Nursing Research or (3) NURS 604 Evaluating Evidence for Improving Practice (Accel UG-Grad Option Only)	3	NURS 481 Nursing Leadership & Management or (3) NURS 606 Leadership and Health Policy with (1) NURS 490 SRA (Accel UG-Grad Option Only*)	3
	NURS 474 Care of Person with Mental Health Needs	5	NURS 482 Transition to Professional Practice Role	4
	NURS 475 Care of Populations (EUSC, EH)	4	NURS 476 Care of Person with Complex Health Needs	5
	Total Credits	12	NURS 483 Capstone Review	3
			Total Credits	15 or 16 - Total Credits
			Total Hours 122 (or *123 for the Accelerated UG-Grad Option)	

Transfer Students: To maximize your transfer experience, complete the **bold** course requirements pre-transfer and satisfy either the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Ed Core or receive an AA, AS or AAT (early childhood, special ed or math) degree from an IAI community college. Visit siue.edu/transfer to find course equivalency guides.

Admission Requirements

Admission to this academic program is limited and based on space availability, and competitiveness of the applicant pool. The School of Nursing reserves the right to limit the size of its entering class, therefore merely applying to the program and meeting or exceeding the stated minimum GPAs and TEAS test score does not guarantee admission into the nursing program. Conditional acceptance will be issued by mid-April for fall and by mid-July for spring admission. Final acceptance will be issued once the final grades of C or better are received for all of the required prerequisite courses and the minimum prerequisite and cumulative GPA requirements are still upheld. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their materials are received in the School of Nursing. Applications received after the deadline will be viewed on a space-available basis. Applications are available at siue.edu/nursing or by calling 618-650-3956.

For additional information and detailed admission requirements, visit siue.edu/nursing-info.

Graduation Requirements

- Completion of 122 or 123 credit hours for the traditional Bachelor of Science
- Overall GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Successful completion of School of Nursing curriculum requirements
- Successful completion of capstone project/senior assignment

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